

BRISTOW BILL SCHOOL NEAR LIKELY TO PASS

Cable to the Local Firm Says
Wool Vote Complicates
Situation.

BELIEVE "TRADE" AFFECTED

The Price of Sugar Reported as
Having Dropped in
New York.

(From Saturday's Advertiser.)

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On account of wool vote Bristow bill is likely to pass Senate. Holders are now asking 4.00. Refiners bidding 3.95. October basis quoted 10.0, equal to 4.20. Cable to Alexander & Baldwin.

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The above cable message was received yesterday afternoon by Alexander & Baldwin from New York, and caused just a little gratification in that office. For some time it has been believed that the terms of the Bristow bill would prove acceptable to the plasters of H. W. Bell, who favored a radical change in the tariff rather than a modest one.

It is preferred to the Lodge or the Bristow bills, which were its rivals in the Senate, and is considered much better than the Democratic bill, for which it now seems it will be substituted.

Said Mr. Westhouse, yesterday, in speaking of the cable:

"I believe that the reference to the 'wool vote' means that there has been a coalition between the progressive senators and the Democrats by which the proposed woolen schedule of the Bristow bill will be put through in consideration of the substitution of their sugar bill. If I am correct in this it will mean a victory for the sugar men, as the Bristow bill, while not altogether favorable to us, is better than the from scratch measure for which it will be a substitute."

The Bristow Bill.

The bill which Senator Bristow has prepared eliminates the Dohen standard and the refiner's differential, and levies a duty of 10 cents per hundred on 75-degree sugar, increasing 2 cents per hundred with each additional one degree of saccharine. This brings the duty out on 96-degree sugar at 35 cents, a reduction of 26 cents per hundred. It reduces the rate on 98-degree Cuban from \$1.24 to \$1.24, a reduction of 24 cents per hundred. Beginning June 20, 1913, it further reduces the duty automatically to 1.22 cents on non-raw cane sugar, and 1.00 cents on Cuban 96-degree sugar. Beginning June 20, 1915, it further reduces the duty automatically to 1.17 cents on non-raw cane sugar, and 97.2 on Cuban 96-degree sugar.

The Democratic Bill.

The Democrats of the committee on finance have prepared a bill which it is expected they will report as a modified measure in a few days. Senator John Sharp Williams did not favor a saccharine bill, but as prepared, the bill eliminates the Dohen standard and the differential and fixes the duty at 62 cents on 96-degree sugar, without increase of 24 cents per hundred for each additional one degree, which brings the duty out at 1.13 cents on 96-degree non-raw cane sugar, and 96.7 cents on Cuban 96-degree sugar.

Both the Lodge and the Bristow bills provide that all packages of sugar weighing less than 20 degrees and referring to direct consumption, must be labeled with the name of the manufacturer, or refiner and the percentage test, which must be within one-half of one degree of the contents of the package, greater variation than one-half degree to be taken as a misbranding under the pure food act.

The Senate committee reported yesterday that personal sugar tax had been passed, and the bill passed with the Bristow bill for the purpose of deriving from that source the revenue which would be lost by reason of placing sugar on the free list.

As to the political situation in regard to these various bills the public may be informed as follows:

Senator Lodge claims that he can secure enough votes, with the aid of some of the insurgents and a few Progressives, to pass his bill through the Senate at the present session, while Senator Lodge believes that in securing even a slight reduction in the import duty rates of duty, the Republican party would be supporting its interests, and he is of the opinion that any of the insurgents who would vote for a reduction of ten or fifteen cents, would vote just as readily for the elimination of the Dohen standard and differential without the slight reduction in the rates. So far, the Bristow amendment has received no consideration, his proposal not being mentioned in any of the discussions by the committees.

STATUE OF NAVIGATOR TO STAND IN LONDON

A statue of Captain Cook is to be erected soon in London as a monument to the circumnavigation of the world. In order to show Londoners that Hawaii had also paid itself an heroic circumnavigation, the group of the English novelist F. Gaskell of the Honolulu-based *Far East*, is preparing an illustration and the same on the outside base of the pedestal to the statue of Captain Cook.

Superintendent Fogg presents a copy of *Progress*—Cuba's monthly literary review.

The public school system of Honolulu, now 20 years old, is a credit to the city. The schools are well equipped, the teachers are good, the pupils are well behaved, and the parents are satisfied. The condition of the schools is excellent, and the pupils are well educated. The teachers are well qualified, the pupils are well behaved, and the parents are satisfied.

Mr. Alexander & Baldwin, the sugar company, has decided to build a new building for its offices in the city. The new building will be located on the corner of Merchant and Main streets, and will be completed in the fall of this year.

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